

CROSS REFERENCE TO CONCURRENTLY FILED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Certain informalities and obvious errors in the sequence identifiers as provided in the specification of the above referenced application are corrected in the Preliminary Amendment submitted concurrently herewith.

SEQUENCE LISTING

In response to the request to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures Under 37 CFR \$1.821-1.825 included in the Notice to File Missing Parts, Applicant hereby submits the following statement.

The Sequence Listing in the present application 10/016,986 is identical with that filed on February 23, 2000 in U.S. Application Serial No. 09/149,898, having a filing date of September 8, 1998. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the computer readable form filed on February 23, 2000 in U.S. Application Serial No. 09/149,898 as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is submitted herewith.

The undersigned hereby states that the content of the paper and computer-readable copies of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR \$1.821-1.825 are the same.

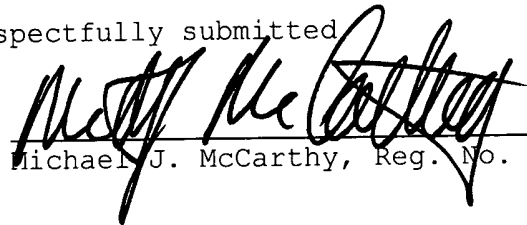
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information

and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that making willful false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Please charge any additional fee concerning this matter to our Deposit Account No. 19-0962.

Respectfully submitted

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